

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 were pending. Applicants cancelled claims 6-15 without prejudice or disclaimer. Hence, claims 1-5 are pending. Applicants cancelled claims 6-15 so as to place all method claims (claims 1-5) in one issued patent. Applicants will be filing a continuation patent application with cancelled claims 6-15 once this amendment has been entered.

As Applicants presently have not yet made payment of the Issue Fee and no new matter is added by this Amendment, it is respectfully submitted that the foregoing amendment is proper subject matter for this Section 312 Amendment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficiency of payment of the necessary fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0563 in the name of International Business Machines Corporation.

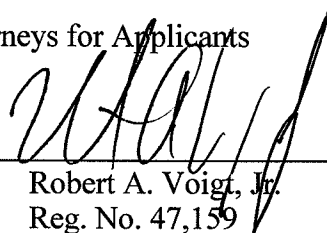
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner call Applicants' attorney at the below listed number if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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